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SUBJECT: ENERGY: NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD (NEB) ANNOUNCES SHARP INCREASES IN PETROLEUM PRODUCT CHARGES FOR APRIL

REF: OTTAWA 2079

1. NEB OFFICIAL INFORMED EMBASSY TODAY (MARCH 29) THAT FOLLOWING CHANGES IN SCHEDULE OF EXPORT CHARGES ON PETROLEUM PRODUCTS WOULD BE EFFECTIVE APRIL 1:

PRODUCT CURRENT LEVEL APRIL 1 LEVEL

MOTOR GASOLINE \$3.25 \$4.25 MIDDLE DISTILLATE 3.00 4.25 HEAVY FUEL OIL 4.15 4.25 PARTIALLY PROCESSED OIL 4.40 4.75 LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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2. IN ANNOUNCING THE CHANGES, ENERGY, MINES AND RESOURCES MINISTER ALASTAIR GILLESPIE SAID THAT ALL INCREASES REFLECT DECLINE IN VALUE OF CANADIAN DOLLAR. COMMENTING ON SHARP INCREASES IN CHARGES ON MOTOR GASOLINE AND MIDDLE DISTILLATE, GILLESPIE SAID THAT CHARGES ON THESE PRODUCTS SHOULD HAVE BEEN INCREASED EARLIER BUT WERE

NOT CHANGED BECAUSE THE GOC DID NOT WISH TO INCREASE CHARGE ON THESE VITAL PRODUCTS DURING EXTREMELY DIFFICULT ENERGY EMERGENCY IN THE U.S.

3. NEB SOURCE STRESSED THAT THERE WAS ABSOLUTELY NO CONNECTION BETWEEN THIS CHANGE IN EXPORT CHARGES AND MESSAGE SENT TO REFINERS REGARDING EXPORT OF PRODUCT WHICH WAS REPORTED IN REFTEL, I.E., GOC IS NOT USING EXPORT CHARGE TO ASSURE THAT REFINERS WILL NOT INCREASE PRODUCT EXPORTS TO LEVEL WHERE BALANCED BARREL OF CRUDE LEAVES COUNTRY IN QUANTITIES THAT VIOLATE INTENT OF CRUDE OIL EXPORT POLICY. ENDERS

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